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LETTER DATED 9 JUNE 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to forward to you a fax-transmitted copy of the letter of 8 June from His Excellency Mr. Vahan Papazian, Foreign Minister of the Republic of Armenia to His Excellency Mr. Mario Rafaelli, Chairman of the Minsk Conference of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) regarding the CSCE proposal of 7 June to implement United Nations Security Council resolution 822 (1993).

I should be grateful if you would circulate this as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Alexander ARZOUMANIAN
Permanent Representative

Annex

Letter dated 8 June 1993 from the Foreign Minister of the Republic of Armenia addressed to the Chairman of the Minsk Conference of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE)

The Foreign Ministry of the Republic of Armenia is in receipt of the CSCE Minsk Group proposal to implement United Nations Security Council resolution 822 (1993) you presented on 7 June 1993.

Armenia considers the strengthened legal basis of the proposal as a CSCE document supported by nine participating States of the Minsk Group, its development as an initiative which aims at the implementation of Security Council resolution 822 (1993) - especially the provision for the lifting of blockades - and the additional clarifications and guarantees for the interruption of military activities as adequate responses to the concerns Armenia has expressed during this process.

Armenia considers this initiative the best opportunity yet to end the bloodshed and instability in the region, to allow the peoples of the region to resume a normal life, and to provide a climate conducive to effective negotiations for the solution of the Nagorny Karabakh problem.

Therefore, the Government of Armenia accepts the proposal and is ready to implement those steps which are relevant to it. Armenia urges the main parties to the conflict, Nagorny Karabakh and Azerbaijan, to do the same.

The Government of Armenia is confident that the Chairman and participating States of the Minsk Group will undertake all additional steps that could further reinforce the interruption of military activities and the peace process, once this proposal is accepted by the parties to the conflict.

The Foreign Ministry of the Republic of Armenia is grateful to the Italian Chairman of the Minsk Group for the efforts it continues to undertake to establish peace in our region.

(Signed) Vahan PAPAZIAN